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Re: Divisional Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of Non-Provisional Parent
Application No. 09/511,800, Filed February 23, 2000

Inventor(s): Junichi HIKITA et al

Title: PRODUCTION PROCESS FOR SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Sir:

1. For purposes of filing a Divisional under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of the above-identified parent application, please find attached hereto:

- (a) Copies of the specification, claims, and abstract as originally filed in the parent application (23 pages);
- (b) Copies of the drawings as originally filed in the parent application (4 sheets; Figures 1-7); and
- (c) A copy of the inventor's Declaration and Power of Attorney as originally filed in the parent application (4 pages).

2. Also attached is a Preliminary Amendment.

3. The filing fee is calculated below, based on the claims of the parent application (section 1 above), as modified by the Preliminary Amendments (section 2 above).

Basic Filing Fee \$385/\$770	\$ 770.00
Additional Fees:	
Total number of claims in excess of 20: 0 x \$18	\$ 0.00
Number of independent claims in excess of 3: 0 x \$86.....	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims: - 0 - x \$140/\$280	\$-----0---
TOTAL	\$ 770.00

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4. Also attached is an Information Disclosure Statement with copies of Forms PTO-1449 and PTO-892.

5. The application is assigned to Rohm Co., Ltd., having a mailing address at 21, Saiin Mizosaki-Cho, Ukyo-Ku, Kyoto, Japan, by an Assignment recorded on June 21, 2000, beginning at Reel 010870, Frame 0481.

6. The benefit of priority of Japanese Application Number 11-045214, filed on February 23, 1999, is claimed under 35 USC 119. A certified copy of this priority application was filed in the above-identified patent application on March 20, 2001.

7. Please send all correspondence to:

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Respectfully Submitted,

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